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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Richard WARBY et al. Confirmation No: 6091  
Appl. No. : 10/694,783  
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Title : A METHOD FOR CLEANING OR PURIFYING  
A POLYMER

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Examiner : J.W. Drodge

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for THREE (3) months to August 1, 2006.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) for a three month extension of time is \$1,020.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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